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Applicant(s): DATTA et al.

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For: RETICULATED ELASTOMERIC MATRICES, THEIR MANUFACTURE AND
USE IN IMPLANTABLE DEVICES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Via EFS

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three (3) month extension of time for this response is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.